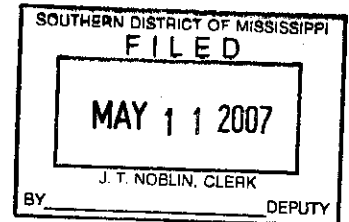


IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF MISSISSIPPI
JACKSON DIVISION



UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v.

CRIMINAL NO. 3:07CR49HTW-LRA

STEVE BLACKARD and
DAVID WORTH THAGGARD

MOTION AND ORDER TO SEAL

The United States of America requests that the Indictment herein be sealed, and represents the following:

The Grand Jury has returned an Indictment against the Defendants. Revealing the existence of the Indictment prior to the arrest of the Defendants would jeopardize law enforcement agents and greatly impede the apprehension of the Defendants. However, the government requests that the U.S. Marshal Service be allowed to make copies of the indictment, warrant, and any related documents available to other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies who request the same to facilitate the arrest and detention of the defendants.

WHEREFORE, the United States requests that the Court SEAL the Indictment and Return, and this Motion and Order, pending the arrest of the Defendants and that copies be distributed to law enforcement agencies as needed to facilitate the arrest and detention of the defendants.

Respectfully submitted,

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CONSIDERING THE FOREGOING, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Indictment and Return herein be sealed, as well as this Motion and Order to Seal.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the U.S. Marshal Service shall make copies of the indictment, warrant, and any related documents available to other federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies who request the same.

SO ORDERED, this the 11th day of May, 2007.


UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE